

"CLEAR WATERS."

Over the "Clear Waters" leaned Narcissus
Viewing therein the image of his beauty;
Some wandering geese near hand mocked him
with hisses.
Since from self-worship he shirked manhood's
duty.

In Alphæus "Clear Waters" bathed Arethusa—
The River God was by the nymph enraptured.
She would have made him stone were she Medusa,
But she at last by him was fondly captured.

As one by Jordan once a beam was falling,
The ox-head tumbled into the "Clear Waters":
A stick flung in where the strong spring was
welling
The iron caused to swim, like ocean's daughters.

"Clear Waters" were at Marah, but yet bitter;
By heaven directed means they sweet were rendered.

At angel-stirred "Clear Waters" the long sinner
Was baffled, till the Healer health engendered.

So out of Frederick Langbridge's "Clear Waters"
Come baleness, strength, and love and life and
sweetness;

They cleanse the foul, they staunch the wounds
of slaughter;

For all conditions they have comfort's meet-
ness.

AQUARIUS.

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CITY PETTY SESSIONS—YESTERDAY.

Before Mr. E. K. Hickson, R.M., and Dr. O'Shaughnessy, D.L.

STONE THROWING.

Two boys named O'Connell and Fitzgerald, were charged by Constable McElroy, Edward-street, with stone throwing in Percy-square.

The Constable stated that O'Connell began throwing stones at Fitzgerald, who retaliated.

O'Connell was fined 2s 6d, and the case against Fitzgerald was dismissed with a caution.

Head Constable Fenney said that this practice was so prevalent in that locality he was obliged to put a constable there specially on duty.

Mr. Hickson said in future persons brought up for this offence would be dealt with most severely.

UNMUZZLED DOGS.

There were a number of parties summoned for allowing unmuzzled dogs to go about the streets. A fine of 2s 6d was imposed in each case.

Mr. Hickson said cases of this kind were so numerous that in future the fine would be increased as small penalties seemed to have no effect. They were altogether too lenient in that court. In Bray he had seen a lady fined three times in succession for exercising a very aristocratic pug (laughter).

John Gallagher, ex-police constable, was prosecuted by Sergeant Wilson, for allowing a dog to be unmuzzled.

The defendant said the dog was a retriever, and some person coaxed him into a hall-way and took off the muzzle.

Mr. Hickson—That is a good defence. It was not your fault.

Dr. O'Shaughnessy—Are you an ex-policeman? Defendant—I am, sir.

Head Constable—The law has no respect for persons.

The case was dismissed.

CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

A young fellow named Kelly was prosecuted by Constable Callaghan for working a donkey which

DEATH OF MR. PATRICK O'SHAUGHNESSY, J.P., BRUFF.

A highly-esteemed County Limerick gentleman, Mr. Patrick O'Shaughnessy, J.P., died on the 26th inst. at his residence, Bruff, in his 79th year, and up to the last retained his remarkably fine business qualities. Although his health had not been good for the past two or three years, yet, as a rule, he was enabled to transact his private business as usual, and attended his public duties at the Kilmallock Board of Guardians, of which he was Chairman for many years, and also at the Petty Sessions Bench of Bruff, where he took his place up to six weeks ago. He was a most successful business man, and one whose strict integrity and courtesy were greatly esteemed by rich and poor. This fact was amply testified on Thursday by the large and representative gathering which attended his funeral. The remains were enclosed in a massive oak coffin, richly mounted with solid brass fittings, and it was strewn with beautiful wreaths of white chrysanthemums and daisies sent by numerous friends of the family. The chief mourners were—Mr. Wm. O'Shaughnessy (Manager of the Hibernian Bank, Cork), and Mr. Michael O'Shaughnessy, sons; Mr. Charles O'Shaughnessy, brother; Mr. M. O'Shaughnessy, nephew.

At Bruff Petty Sessions on Wednesday, 7th inst. the following magistrates were present, Mr. Richard Bayly, chairman; Mr. John Van Bevan, and Mr. John Carroll.

At the opening of the court, the chairman said, after hearing a case in which I understand several persons are in custody, the magistrates will adjourn the court in consequence of the death of our lamented brother magistrate, the late Mr. O'Shaughnessy, for whom I had great respect. I have been a magistrate for very many years, and I have met few whom I have admired and esteemed more than the late Mr. O'Shaughnessy for his great business mind and sound judgment on the bench. Not only will we, his brother magistrates, miss him, but I feel sure the town of Bruff and neighbourhood will feel deeply his loss. On behalf of myself, his brother magistrate, I tender to Mr. O'Shaughnessy's family our expressions of deep regret.

Mr. John Van Bevan—I concur in all that Mr. Bayly has said, regarding the death of our late brother magistrate, Mr. O'Shaughnessy, and I sincerely join in expressing our sympathy with his family in their bereavement.

Mr. John Carroll—I most sincerely regret the death of my friend, and join with my brother magistrates in their expressions of regret and sympathy with Mr. O'Shaughnessy's family.

The Chairman then addressing the Clerk of the Court, said—Mr. Hinchy, we wish you to convey to Mr. O'Shaughnessy's family our sincere sympathy in their sad loss.

The Clerk said he would attend to their wishes, and for himself he said he most sincerely regretted the death of Mr. O'Shaughnessy as a magistrate of his district.

Mr. Sharpe, the District Inspector, said—It affords me a melancholy pleasure to concur with your observations, and to express on behalf of the Royal Irish Constabulary their full appreciation of the loss which your Bench and the people of Bruff have sustained by the lamented death of Mr. O'Shaughnessy. His great experience and knowledge of human nature enabled him to temper justice with mercy, and while on the one hand punishing the hardened criminal, he often tried by kindly advice to reclaim those who had violated the law through thoughtlessness. I therefore wish to convey through you the deep sympathy with his family which we all feel, for the irreplaceable loss of one whose character, integrity and uniform courtesy had won the esteem and admiration of all who knew him.

ENNIS QUARTER SESSIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ACTION AGAINST THE WEST CLARE RAILWAY COMPANY.

John Reidy, a minor, by James Reidy, father, of Rathkeale, sought to recover a £50 damages from the West Clare Railway Company, for injuries sustained by the negligence of the defendants' servants, by which it was injured by being caught in the do railway carriage at Kilkee.

Mr. P. Lynch, B.L. (instructed by Mr. O'Sullivan, solicitor, Limerick) appeared for plaintiff.

Mr. W. Q. Murphy, B.L. (instructed by Mr. O'Sullivan) was for the defendants.

Mrs. Reidy deposed that she was coming Kilkee, on the date mentioned, with her who was aged about 2½ years.

Judge—Did you pay for him? No.

Mr. Murphy—That's enough in itself.

Judge—I have great doubt about that.

Mr. Murphy—I won't press it, sir.

Witness, continued—Miss Thompson was on the platform with her; she put the child on the side of the window, and she was standing near the door herself, the child being at the right side of the window, and she was looking out, and turned to get a kerchief from the seat behind her, and as she was so the porter came along and clashed the carriage door, she caught the child's hand; she had intended to take the child in her lap; the train was starting at a quarter past eleven, and she was on the platform at half-past ten; she was standing on the carriage the whole time; the child was injured.

By Mr. Murphy—The carriage was very crowded, and she could have sat in another besides near the door; she intended doing did not think it was risky to leave a 2½ years old so near the door when she was so young; there was no bell rung.

Miss Thompson, who was with Mr. Reidy said she saw the latter standing at the door for about half an hour; the train was all the time; the porter came up and banged the door, when the child screamed, and the porter opened the door and took out the child.

His Honor—Do you mean to say that the hand was jammed in the door? Yes, Your Honor, he had to open the door to take the child out. It was absolutely closed. She never rang a bell before the accident.

Mr. Lynch—Nor no one else until the accident occurred.

By Mr. Murphy—The bell might have rung without my hearing it.

Dr. Magner, Rathkeale, said he treated the child for a lacerated wound on the inner side of the little finger; the other fingers were injured; the child was twelve or fourteen under his treatment; there was a cicatrix on the finger.

Mr. Michael Stewart, Station-master at Cappaquin, examined for the defence, deposed that on this date with the train from Cappaquin steamer; he opened the door of the carriage in which Mrs. Reidy and the child were; he was the only passenger in the carriage; he lifted the child on the platform, and noticing the hand was about the door, he asked what the matter was, she replied the child had got bruise that morning at Kilkee; he lifted the handkerchief and saw the flesh of the little finger, for about a quarter of an inch, he asked how it occurred, and Mrs. Reidy was nothing, that she had put a drop of oil on it and it did not signify; he had put writing in the usual course.

Mrs. Reidy, recalled, said that she the last witness had taken the child